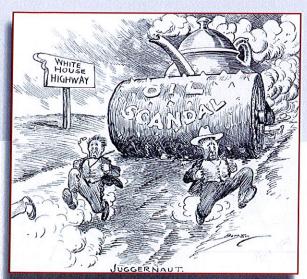
Timeless Elements of a Great Closing Argument: Lessons from the Teapot Dome Trials

The District of Columbia courts tried criminal cases between 1926 and 1930 against President Harding's Secretary of the Interior and others arising from the "Teapot Dome" scandal. That affair included allegations of giving and receiving bribes for the leasing of U.S. oil reserves to private oil companies. Several of those trials pitted defense counsel Frank Hogan (founding partner



of Hogan & Hartson) against Special Prosecutor (and future Supreme Court Justice) Owen Roberts. This program will feature mock closing arguments drawn directly from transcripts of Hogan's and Roberts' arguments in two of the D.C. trials, *United States v. Albert Fall* and *United States v. Edward Doheny*. A panel discussion on the essential elements of an effective closing argument will follow.

Date.

Thursday, July 23, 2009

Time:

4:30 p.m.

Location:

Ceremonial Courtroom, 6th Floor E. Barrett Prettyman U.S. Courthouse 3rd Street & Constitution Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C.

Admission is free.

A reception will follow the program.

No reservations are required.

Programs like this one depend on the support of the Society's members — law firms, individuals, and others. Non-members are invited to become dues-paying members or to make a contribution to the Society.

For additional information call 202-216-7346 or visit www.dcchs.org.

The Historical Society of the D.C. Circuit is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization independent of the Courts.

Introduction to the Teapot Dome Scandal and Litigation:

David C. Frederick, Kellogg, Huber, Hansen, Todd, Evans & Figel PLLC

Mock Closing Argument Presentations:

Roger M. Adelman, The Law Offices of Roger M. Adelman William D. Nussbaum, Hogan & Hartson LLP

Panelists:

Hon. Ellen Segal Huvelle, United States District Court for the District of Columbia

Hon. Emmet G. Sullivan, United States District Court for the District of Columbia

Timothy G. Lynch, Assistant United States Attorney for the District of Columbia

Jacob A. Stein, Stein, Mitchell & Muse LLP

Moderator:

David C. Frederick